



Times Remembered
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We are planning the remodel of our downstairs bathroom. Whew! What a process. I think it is worse than building our house eighteen years ago.

When we were building the house we planned on having a walk-in shower in our downstairs bath someday. We installed a pedestal sink and used my grandfather's antique claw foot tub. Now we need a shower because we are not getting any younger and since our other two bathrooms are upstairs we need a downstairs shower. So that is where we

Remodeling the Downstairs Bathroom

are now. We started looking at shower stalls, tile and vanities back in April. It takes me a while to decide on most things. But I wanted to explore all designs, colors, styles and prices. I discovered that tile is very expensive to buy and to install. I talked to some of my friends that have tile and I was concerned about cleaning the grout and rough surfaces. We decided not to go with the tile. I didn't want the cheapest option, but I didn't want the most expensive either.

We went to several tile stores; Lowe's, Fergusons and Home Depot. There wasn't anything in stock that I liked. The non-stocked items would have to be special order. I did meet a very nice lady in the plumbing department at Lowe's in Richmond that knew her stuff and was a tremendous help. She loaned me two shower books.

With the books, I finally found the one I liked; the shower with a cocoa colored tile wall with beige and brown mosaic tile floor,

shampoo shelf, and mosaic tile around the middle. The glass doors swing out; which I wanted and are very sturdy.

Next was the search for a vanity I liked. I actually found a six foot vanity with double bowls in stock at Lowe's on Nicholasville Road in Lexington. It is dark brown wood with a brown-blackish granite top. I think it is beautiful and it was on sale. I liked that the best. The Richmond Lowe's was able to requisition and pick-up the vanity and bring it to Richmond for me. I had them hold it until the shower and tile came in because guess what? Lowe's charges \$79.00 to deliver and I wasn't about to pay for two delivery charges. They deliver appliances and riding lawn mowers free but no plumbing things like showers and bath tubs. That's a bummer; I think if you spend over a \$1000.00 you should get free delivery.

My shower came in last week and Lowe's delivered the shower, shampoo shelf and vanity; but they only sent one man to deliver these

items and they weigh a ton! I was so mad; I'm sorry, but if you pay \$79.00 for delivery they better have someone to off load it and get to the site. I felt sorry for the delivery man, it wasn't his fault. I called management, but they haven't answered me yet. I going to try again today to let them know what I think. I don't usually complain, but this was ridiculous. Lowe's is noted for poor customer service; I should have known. They need some competition in Richmond.

All in all, I have my contractor, who's coming next Monday to install the shower and vanity. I am hoping to have enough room for my Grandfather's antique bath tub. It is a large bathroom and I think we can squeeze in on the opposite wall. My Grandfather Garrett meant a lot to me and I would never get rid of it; it is over 150 years old and near and dear to my heart.

I hope everything goes well next week and I have a beautiful re-modeled bathroom!

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Want people to think you're crazy, Try eating a bug



America's Heartland

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A teacher asked her class how to prevent diseases caused by biting insects.

"Don't bite any," came one little boy's response.

The last thing most folks would ever do is bite an insect, but there are always exceptions, like the people in Florida a few years back who competed to see who could swallow the most crickets, worms and cockroaches.

That bizarre competition grabbed national headlines because it ended in tragedy: One of the contestants, who by all accounts was a fun-loving fellow, choked to death on a cockroach.

It's lost on me why people, who aren't starving, would ever eat a bug. I don't even like to touch them in my mouth. I expect I'm not alone when I say the very idea is revolting.

But then, I'm sure you've noticed that sometimes people do the craziest things.

Before King David of the Old Testament ascended to the throne, you might

remember his predecessor, King Saul, was intent on killing him. Things got so dangerous that David had to flee, choosing to go into, of all places, Gath. That just happened to be where Goliath, the giant he had killed some years before, was from.

Things had to be pretty dangerous at home for David to think Gath would be a safer place. Perhaps David thought Gath would be last place King Saul would look for him. And perhaps David had hoped the people of Gath would not have recognized him all these years later.

But they did recognize David, who arrived wearing the very same sword he had taken from Goliath.

The people of Gath sent word to their king that David was in town. David feared for his life at that point and devised a plan that he hoped would save him.

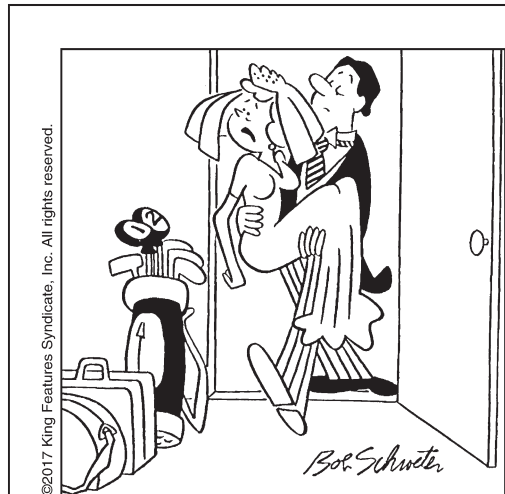
"So, he disguised his sanity before them, and acted crazy, and scribbled on the doors of the gate, and let his spit run down into his beard" (1 Samuel 21:13).

His strategy worked. The king of Gath chided his aides, saying why did you bring this mad man to me. David did a good job acting crazy, and he left there, no doubt, feeling fortunate to be alive.

The fact is, as I said, people do the craziest things.

Fortunately, David's scribbling and the drooling were enough to fool those Gath folks. Otherwise, he might have had to resort to eating bugs.

Roger Alford offers words of encouragement to residents of America's heartland. Reach him at rogeralford1@gmail.com.



"Oh, no, I didn't expect the ' _____ ' part to come so soon!"

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- Estill County High School**
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